enough marks in written test to be finally selected without even having appeared in interview and had to be given appointment. Details of marks obtained by these candidates are given in the annexed Statement.

Statement

Marks obtained by six candidates, who havt been appointed without interview

Subject	Name	CAT.	Marks obtained out of 200
PGT (Eco.)	Sh, Rajeshwar Prasad	Gen.	118.75
PGT (Bio.)	Sh. Pramanik Minky	SC	105.50
TGT (Eng.)	Sh. Ansul Roa	OBC	118.75
TGT	Sh. Suhnder Yerkla	PH	91.50
TGT (Eng.)	Ms. Dichen Tashi	ST	103.75
PRT	Sh. Sanjeev Jain	Blind	63.75 *•

**Out of 100

Development of Wetland in Orissa

*418. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the list of wetlands in the country;

(b) whether Bhitar Kanika in Orissa is one of these wetland areas;

(c) whether Government have prepared schemes for development of wetland;

(d) if so, the details of the programme drawn-up for development of Bhitar Kanika area in Orissa; and

(e) the funds earmarked for the same?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) and (b) On the basis of Directory of Wetlands published by Ministry of Environment & Forests in 1990, 2167 natural wetlands covering an area of 1450871 hectares and 65254

manmade wetland covering an area of 2588266 hectares are distributed in various States/Union Territories. Statement—I *(See* below). However, this list covers only freshwater wetlands of India and coastal wetlands are not represented.

Apart from the above list of wetlands, Ministry of Environment and Forests has identified 20 wetlands (Statement-II) and 30 mangroves (Statement-Ill) for conservation and management in the country *(See* below) Bhitarkanika is one of the identified areas under Mangrove programme of the Ministry.

(c) to (e) A plan scheme for conservation of wetlands has been launched to provide catalytic support to the State Government for conservation and management of selected wetlands. So far, 20 wetlands have been identified and financial assistance has been provided to the concerned State Governments, for supplementing the activities related to survey and mapping, catchment area treatment, silt control, pollution abatement, weed control, biodiversity conservation, afforestation, fisheries development, environment awareness, etc.

Similarly, a scheme for conservation of mangroves has also been launched by the Ministry where 30 mangrove areas have been identified for conservation and management which include Bhitarkanika in Orissa. Financial assistance is provided for activities like survey and demarcation, natural regeneration, raising of nurseries, protection, watch and ward programme, education awareness etc.

An amount of Rs. 5 crores is earmarked for conservation of 30 identified mangrove areas in the country under mangrove conservation programme out of which an amount of Rs. 17.56 lakhs has been released for Bhitarkanika area in Orissa during 1999-2000. No funds were released during 2000-2001 as utilization certificate of the earlier funds was still awaited from the State Government. Apart from this, an amount of Rs. 32.35 lakhs has been released during 1999-2000 for Bhitarkanika under Development of National Park/ Wildlife Sanctuary programme.

Statement-I

State/Union Territory~wise distribution of Wetlands in India (including wetlands of less than lOOha.)

SI No.	State	Natural		Man-made	
		No.	Area(ha)	No.	Area(ha.
1.	Andhra Pradesh	219	1,00,457	19,020	4,25,892
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	2	20,200	NA	NA
3.	Assam	1394	86,355	NA	NA
4.	Bihar	62	2,24,788	33	48,607
5.	Goa	3	12,360	NA	NA
6.	Gujarat	22	3,94,627	57	1,29,660
7.	Haryana	14	2,691	4	1,071
8.	Himachal Pradesh	5	702	3	19,165
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	18	7,227	NA	21,880
10.	Karnataka	10	3,320	22,758	5,39,195
11	Kerala	32	24,329	2,121	2,10,579
12.	Madhya Pradesh	8	324	53	1,87,818
13.	Maharashtra	49	21,675	1,004	2,79,025
14.	Manipur	5	26,600	NA	NA
15.	Meghalaya	2	NA	NA	NA
16.	Nagaland	2	210	NA	NA
17.	Orissa	20	1,37,022	36	1,48,454
18.	Punjab	33	17,085	6	5,391
19.	Rajasthan	9	14,027	85	1,00,217
20.	Sikkim	42	1,101	2	3.5
21.	Tamil Nadu	31	58,868	20,030	2,01,132
22.	Tripura	3	575	I	4,833
23.	Uttar Pradesh	125	12,832	28	2,12,470
24.	West Bengal	54	2,91.963	9	52,564
		2.164	14,49,338	65,250	25,87,96

SI. No.	Union Territories	Natural No.	Area(ha)	Man-made No.	Area(ha)
1.	Chandigarh	NA	NA	1	170
2.	Pondicherry	3	1,533	2	1,131
		3	1,533	3	1,301
	GRAND TOTAL	2167	14,50,871	65,254	25,88,266

Statement*II

List of Wetlands

SI. No	. Name of Wetlands	State/UT
1.	Wullar	J & K
2.	Tso Morari	J & K
3.	Tisgul Tso	J & K
4.	Renuka	Himachal Pradesh
5.	Pong Dam	Himachal Pradesh
6.	Chandratal	Himachal Pradesh
7.	Harikc	Punjab
8.	Ropar	Punjab
9.	Kanjli	Punjab
10.	Chilka	Orissa
11.	Kabar	Bihar
12.	Sambhar	Rajasthan
13.	Kollcru	Andhra Pradesh
14.	Loktak	Manipur

Sl.No.	Name of Wetlands	State/UT
15.	Ashtamudi	Kerala
16.	Sasthamkotta	Kerala
17.	Ujni	Maharashtra
18.	Nalsarovar	Gujarat
19.	Deepar Beel	Assam
20.	Rudrasagar	Tripura

Statement-III

State-wise list of Mangrove areas identified for Conservation and Management

S.No.	State/UT	Mangrove Area
1.	West Bengal	Sunderbans
2.	Orissa	Bhitarkanika Mahanadi Subernarekha Devi Dhamra
3.	Andhra Pradesh	Coringa East Godavari Krishna
4.	Tamil Nadu	Pichavaram Muthupet Ramnad
5.	Andaman & Nicobar	North Andamans Nicobar
6.	Kerala	Vembanad
7.	Karnataka	Coondapur Dakshin Kannada

S.No.	State/UT	Mangrove Area
8.	Goa	Goa
9.	Maharashtra	Devgarh-Vijay Durg *Veldur* *Revdanda* Mumbra-Diva *Vikroli* Shreevardhan Vaitaraa Kundalika Vasai-Manori
10.	Gujarat	Gulf of Kutchh Gulf of Khambat
11.	Pondicherry	Pondicherry

Privatisation of Bauxite Mines in Orissa

*419. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether some bauxite mines in Orissa have been privatised;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details regarding the value of these bauxite mines?

THE MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI SUNDAR LAL PATWA): (a) No Bauxite mine in Orissa owned by any Central Public Sector Undertaking has been privatised.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.